## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	
Jessica BARZILAI et al.	) ) Group Art Unit: Unassigned ) (Prior Group Art Unit: 1743)
Serial No.: Urlassigned	
Filed: February 25, 2004	Examiner: Unassigned (Prior Examiner: S. Siefke)
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR () TRANSPORTING SAMPLE WELL () TRAYS ()	
Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	
Sir:	

## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are included in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Submission of Formal Drawings are included in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment sections of this paper.

## **REMARKS**

By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 13-18 and 29-48 are pending in this application. Claims 1-12 and 19-28 have been canceled, claims 13 and 15-18 have been amended, and claims 37-48 have been newly added. No new matter has been entered.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: February 25, 2004

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